

DECLARATION FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD FOR MODIFYING PLANT BIOMASS

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Provisional Serial No.:

Filing Date:

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The undersigned ASSIGNEE having an interest in the above-identified application for letters patent hereby appoints Karen J. Guerrero, Reg. No. 37,071 to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith and hereby revokes all prior powers of attorney; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventors and the inventors' attorneys in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) the undersigned Assignee hereby states that evidentiary documents have been reviewed and hereby certifies that, to the best of ASSIGNEE's knowledge and belief, title is in the identified ASSIGNEE.

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